

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1 and 2 and new Figure 3. The sheets, which include Figures 1 and 2, replace the original sheets including Figures 1 and 2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (Figures 1 and 2)
 New Sheet (Figure 3)
 Annotated Sheets Showing Changes (Figures 1 and 2)

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Claims 31, 33, 35, and 36 are now in the application.

Applicants hereby cancel claims 23-27, 37-38, and 39-40 and reserve the right to file a continuation application for these claims.

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

In the Office Communication dated October 17, 2005, the drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a). Figures 1 and 2 have been amended and Figure 3 has been added.

In Figure 1, the reference numerals 8, 16, 18, 20, and 22 have been added to identify the apertures 8, at opposed ends of the micro jet 3, the port 16 in the connector 15 with apertures 18 at opposed ends, and the peripheral wall 20 of the holding cup 19 which defines a cavity 22. Similarly, in Figure 2, the reference numerals 8, 16, 18, and 20 have been added to identify the same components. These components were already represented in Figures 1 and 2 and no new matter has been added.

In new Figure 3, reference numerals 11, 12, 49, and 59 have been used to identify the slanted wall 11 of a whirlpool bath 12 and the opening 49 in the whirlpool bath shell 59. The slanted wall 11 and the whirlpool bath 12 have support in paragraphs [0011], [0012], [0013], and [0017] amongst others. The slanted wall 11 and the opening 49 were represented in Figure 1. Finally, the whirlpool bath shell 59 has support in paragraph [0001]. No new matter has been added. A pressurized fluid supply has been added to Figure 3 and connected to the connector 15. Support can be found in paragraph [0018] of the specification: *"...that is used for connecting the micro jet to a pressurized fluid supply (here water) by means of a connector 15..."*. Reference is now made to the pressurized fluid supply 80 in the specification. No new matter has been added.

The recessed massaging micro jet has been removed from the claims. Claim 23 has been cancelled. The "whirlpool bath" and the "shell" set forth in claim 31 are shown in new Fig. 3. The objection under 37 CFR 1.83(a) is overcome.

Two paragraphs have been added after paragraph [0014]. These paragraphs define the subject matter of independent claims 31 and 36, which were allowed.

Paragraph [0024] has been amended to refer to opening 49 instead of opening 41. Reference numeral 101 has been removed from paragraph [0026] and the paragraph following paragraph [0026]. Paragraph [0026] is now similar to paragraph [0026] of the specification as filed. Paragraph following paragraph [0026] has been amended and now refers to new Figure 3.

The specification was objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter.

Claims 23, 39 and 40 were objected to. These claims have been canceled.

Claims 31, 35, and 36 were objected to. Paragraphs [0018] and [0019] have been amended to provide support for the terms 'fixable', 'connectable to a/the pressurized fluid supply', and 'securable'. Support for the amended paragraphs is found in the drawings as filed. Referring to FIGS. 1 and 2, the micro jet 3 is connectable to a pressurized fluid supply 80 (FIG. 4), through the connector 15 in the embodiment shown in FIG. 1. In FIG. 3, the micro jet is connected to the pressurized fluid supply 80. The holding cup 19, as shown in FIG. 2, is securable or fixable to the shell 59. In the embodiment shown in FIGS. 1 and 3, a free end of the holding cup 19 is secured or fixed to the slanted wall 11 of the bath 12. The objection is overcome.

Claim 27 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Claim 27 has been canceled.

Claims 24 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claim 24 has been canceled. Claim 36 has been amended to provide antecedent basis to the term 'the outlet aperture'. The rejection is overcome.

Claims 23-27, 36, 37, 39, and 40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. patent No. 4,264,039 to Moreland. Claims 23-27, 37, 39, and 40 have been canceled.

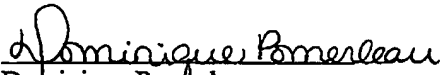
Claim 36 have been amended to introduce the subject matter of claim 38, which is allowed. Claim 36 is now allowable.

No new matter has been introduced in the application by way of the present amendment.

The application is believed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the objections is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that persecution of this application may be expedited.

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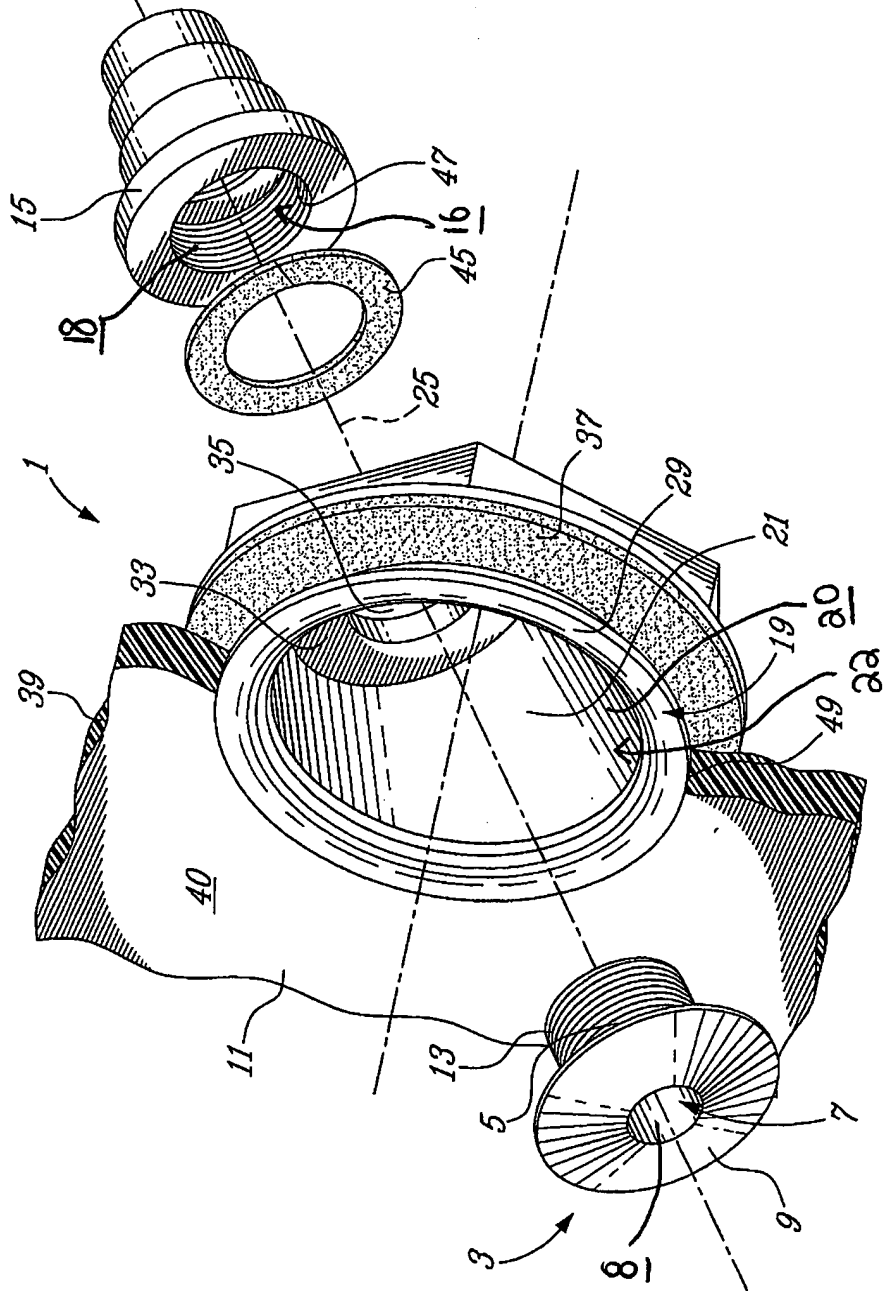


FIG-1

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

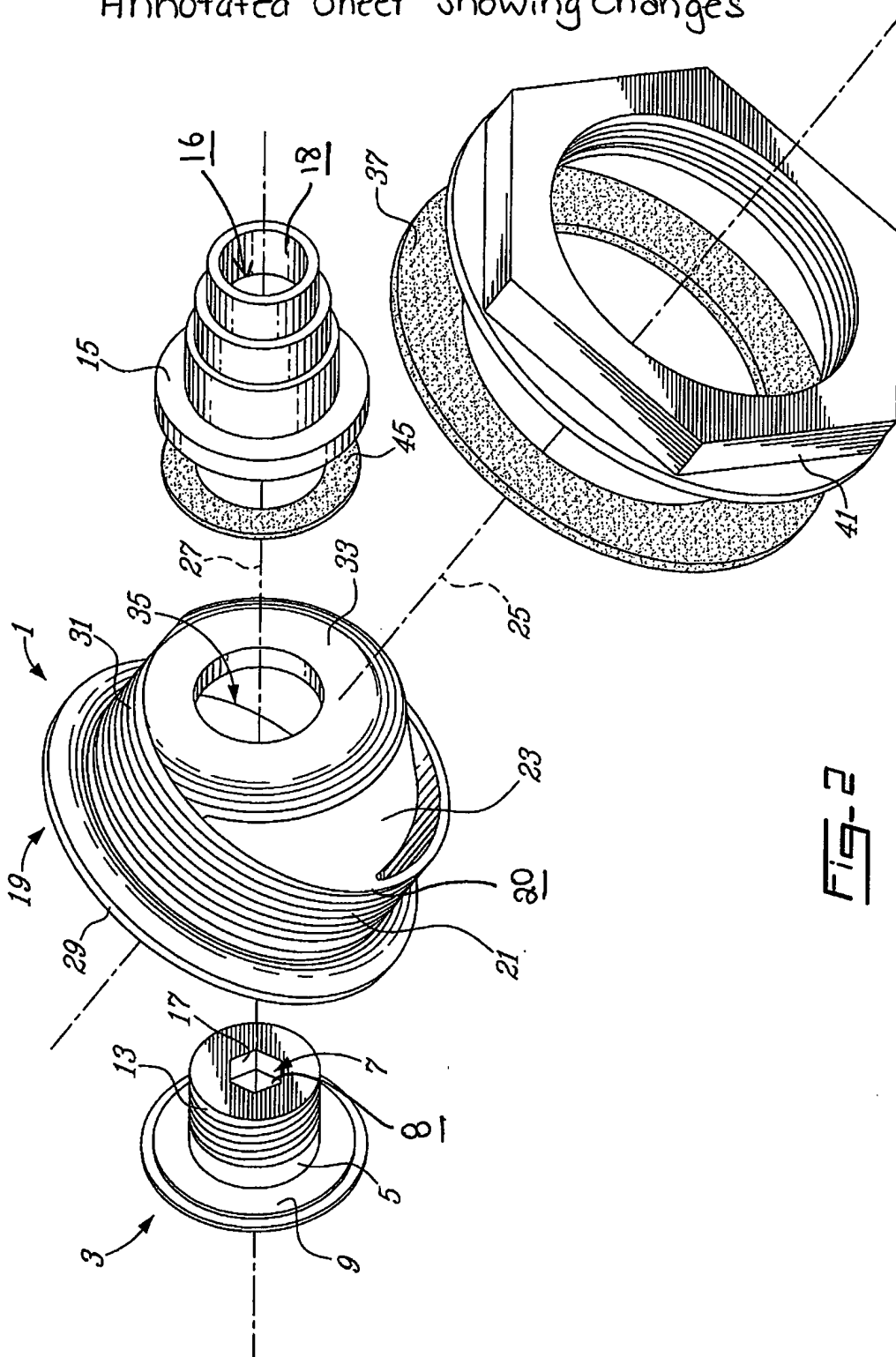


FIG-2